Guns, & Cartridges made up in Proportion. Let the Lieut c.c. of Cecil have 100 Stand of Arms and, if Occasion, supply the Companies ordered on the present Service, with Powder and Ball.

## [Council to Gov. Rodney.]

In Council Annapolis 8th April 1778.

Sir

In Consequence of Letters received from General Smallwood and Colo Henry Hollingsworth, strongly urging the Necessity of collecting a Body of Militia to cover the Stores purchased in your State and this, in their Removal to the Magazines, the Assembly formed a Resolution, of which the inclosed is a Copy—We have ordered two Companies of 154 Militia on this Service from each of the Counties of Kent, Cecil and Harford, which are as many, considering the Season of the year and all Circumstances, as can well be spared from thence, though perhaps not fully adequate to the Occasion. Colo Hollingsworth justly impressed with the Importance of the Service, desires us to join our Request to his, for some of the Delaware Militia to act with ours. We do so very cheerfully and hope the Propriety of your giving Orders for that Purpose may appear to you in the same strong Light that it does to us.

We have the Honor to be &ca

Governor Rodney.

## Thursday 9th April 1778.

C. B.

Present as on yesterday

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Turbutt Wright two hundred Pounds to be delivered over to Charles Downes Purchaser of Provisions in Queen Annes County, out of the Money remitted by Congress for the Purchase of Provisions to be accounted for

That the said Treasurer pay to John Coward twenty one Pounds seven Shillings and six pence to be delivered over to John Thomas and the further Sum of one hundred and sixty eight Pounds to be delivered over to John Elliott due to them per Account passed by the Auditor General

That the said Treasurer Pay to Col. Thomas Dorsey Purchaser of Provisions in Ann Arundel County three thousand Dollars out of the money remitted by Congress for the Purchase of Provisions to be accounted for.